# LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

License Number: L190 50169 Police File Number: 13375

**Date of Application:** January 13, 2013

**Inspector:** Phil Schliesman

**Applicant/Legal Entity:** Aria 10, LLC

**DBA/Trade Name:** The Tangiers

Complete Address: 116 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue #101

**License(s) Requested:** On-Sale Liquor Class B with Sunday Sales and 2 AM

**Current License(s):** None – vacant office space

Purpose of Application: New On Sale Liquor License

Responsible person within 75 miles of Minneapolis City Hall: Behnad Taheri

Public Hearing Requirement: Required

**License Conditions:** No

Neighborhood/Ward: North Loop / 7

**Zoning:** B4N This is a permitted use in the Downtown

Business District.

7 acre requirement: Met

Off-Street Parking: No parking requirement

Churches or schools within 300 feet of the proposed premises: N/A

Seating: Inside: 152 Outside: No Out Door Area

Fire/Maximum Capacity: 219

**Food Service Requirement:** The applicant will operate a full service restaurant.

**Hours of Operation:** Inside: 4:30 pm - 2:00 am Wednesday-Sunday

Outside: N/A

Metropolitan Council Service Availability Charges: Paid

### HISTORY OF LOCATION

This location has previously housed offices and other store front retail type businesses.

# **APPLICANT**

The applicant is Aria 10, LLC, a Minnesota corporation formed on June 20, 2012 under Chapter 322B (File Number 493788400026) and having the required restriction on the transfer of stock. The ownership structure of Aria 10, LLC is as follows:

OwnerInterestBaggio Entertainment, LLC51%Aria Brothers, LLC49%

Baggio Entertainment, LLC is solely owned by Behnad Taheri, President of Aria 10, LLC. Aria Brothers, LLC is owned by Amir (60%) and Ali (40%) Teymouri, Both are officers of Aria 10, LLC.

The Officer Structure of Aria 10, LLC is as follows:

Name <u>Title</u>

Behnad Taheri President

Amir Teymouri Vice Pres/Treasurer

Ali Teymouri Secretary

# **MANAGER**

The general manager of The Tangiers will be Behnad Taheri. Mr. Taheri has been employed in the hospitality industry since 1998. He has passed the criminal background check.

#### **POLICE REVIEW**

Police Licensing and this inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check.

# **PREMISES**

The licensed premises will consist of approximately 4,000 square feet on the first floor and 3000 square feet in the basement located at 116 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North. Restaurant seating will only be on the first floor as the basement houses the kitchen, bathrooms, storage, and offices. There will be seating for up to 152 patrons on the first floor. The typical seating arrangement will be set for 120 patrons at tables and chairs, lounge seating, a booth, and at a bar. There is no outdoor area.

#### **BUSINESS PLAN/OPERATIONS**

The applicant indicates that The Tangiers will operate primarily as a restaurant, while offering a selection of liquor, wine and beer. The hours of operation are 4:30 pm to 2:00 am Wednesday-Sunday. These hours are subject to change based on customer demand and special events. The Tangiers will offer flat bread sandwiches and panini's, salads, appetizer share plates, and desserts.

The applicant is applying for a Class B license, which allows entertainment in the form of amplified musicians, DJ's, radio, television, electronically reproduced music, Karaoke and jukebox. The music offered will primarily be for background music. There is no dance floor in the establishment. The applicant indicates that it will not sponsor sports teams, offer charitable gambling or offer amusement devices on the premises.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Business Licenses recommends approving this application for On-Sale Liquor Class B with Sunday Sales.